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I do not blame the Jews of Europe, who were maltreated for many centuries by the Europeans, for. the fact that finally Mr. Herzl towards the end of the last century–thought there could be no salvation for the Jews unless they had a State of their own. But unfortunately the Zionists picked the wrong territory, Palestine. And they claim since the days of Mr. Eban that God gave them Palestine. I am sure Mr. Eban is not of the Jews who are my brothers and cousins. He is descended from the Khazars . Therefore what is Zionism but a colonial movement that was motivated by Judaism as a religion for political and economic ends? I do not say Mr. Herzl maliciously wanted political Zionism. He thought there was, as I said, no salvation. But that Utopia, that dream of his,turned into a nightmare.
And what business had our British friends of those days to partition part of the Ottoman Empire and put it under mandate, whereas they declared that they were fighting for democracy and mandates were nothing but colonialism in disguise? Palestine and Iraq were placed under a British mandate, Syria and Lebanon under a French mandate. You will recall-or those of you who are students of history – the secret Sykes-Picot-Sesanov Agreement. Sesanov-they forgot about him after 1917, when there was the outbreak of the Russian Revolution.
These are the facts. The myths are that there is no religion that can constitute a nation. A nation needs the cultural background that is based on tradition, on customs, on common interests. There is no such thing as Jewish blood, Arab blood, American blood. What makes these nations are a common culture, common way of life, sometimes food. They need not have the same language.
And the Zionists wanted to create a political entity in that part of the world, the Middle East, which is neither viable not based on truth. What business had Mr. Balfour to promise them Palestine in the Balfour Declaration? I tell you what business he had. The Zionists railroaded this country of the United States in 1917 into the First World War. The United States through Mr. Truman in 1947 had no business to support partition of the land of Palestine. Mr. Truman, when he was approached by the experts of the State Department who told him that it would not be wise to antagonize the indigenous people of the region who happened to be Arabs, said: "How many Americans of Arab origin do I have in my constituency?" Mr. Balfour created this Palestine imbroglio because, as I told you, and I repeat it time and again, the British were being beaten and the coming of the United States into the war saved them.
Mr. Allon mentioned terrorism-Arab terrorism. Who was terrorist in Palestine? Who blew up the King David Hotel? Who killed 250 or so at various scenes? Who hanged British soldiers from the trees? He talks about Arab terrorism. I do not condone terrorism. Nobody condones terrorism. It was those Khazars , who had nothing to do with the land, who came and perpetrated all the injustices and the tribulations from which the area is suffering.
Mr. Allon mentioned Lebanon. Had there been no Palestinian problem there would be no conflict in Lebanon. I have to tell Mr. Allon that, if the Jews want to remain in our area, including those descended from the Khazars , they have to seek acceptance by adjusting themselves to the area. If they seek acceptance by adjusting and adapting themselves, I, for one, would so counsel the Arabs. They are human beings; we have nothing against anyone who happens to be a Khazars . But the Zionists want to lord it over the Arabs and they are living on tension because, if the tension disappears, then they will not receive tax-free money from the Americans and others. They are surviving on the taxpayers' money-American money and other money. Let it be known that it is a question of time. As I mentioned and repeat again, God is not in the real-estate business to give any people a land. God gave us Palestine, I repeat what I told him-since when is God in the real-estate business? And where is your title deed? And you Americans of yore, and also before you the British,since when did God give you a power of attorney to transfer land that is not your own, when you declare that you fought world wars for democracy and self-determination and you floated all this.
If I raise my voice, it is so that I may drive it home that we do not hate you, but we will not be dominated by you. Where is Alexander the Great? Where are the Romans? Where are the Seleucians? Where are those who came after the Seleucians, the Byzantines? And where are the crusaders? And where are the Mongols? And where are our brothers the Turks who had dominated that area, and the latter-day saints-the British-where are they? Their empire crumbled and went down the drain. And you think you are going to survive, you Zionists there. It a question of years.
Time and again I must declare that we have no quarrel with our brothers, the Jews, who are descendants of Abraham, the patriarch of the whole region. We have a quarrel with those Khazarswho embraced Zionism in the eighth century AD. and who consider themselves Semites after Herzl propagated his Zionist ideology.
We would wish the Khazarswell, if they were not intruders into the area. It so happens that their ancestors embraced Judaism, but that does not make them Semites. Again, in as much as the British and the French became Christians, they have a Semitic religion, but that does not make them Semites. And yet again, our Nigerian and Indonesian brothers have a Semitic religion, Islam, but that does not make them Semites.
The descendants of those Khazarswho hail from eastern and central Europe use a noble religion, Judaism, as a motivation for political and economic ends. It is not the diplomats here who are using harsh terms for not being able to eject them through war from our midst. I am not for war; I am not for terrorism; but I must remind Mr. Herzog that I visited Jerusalem in 1925 and was told how intransigent those descendants of the Khazarswere. Do not forget that they are central Europeans. They forgot that they could not survive in the area for very, very long, so they thrive on tension-unfortunately so. There is tension not only among them but throughout the area, from the Atlantic to the Persian Gulf. Why? Because the people consider them a foreign element in the body politic and the body social of the Semitic Arab world.
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